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ACADEMIC CUSTOMS AND DRESS

The origins of many customs of the academic world are to be traced to the Middle Ages, particularly the eleventh and twelfth centuries when the first European universities – Bologna, Paris, and Oxford — were founded.

In their original organization, the universities were like medieval corporations or guilds. In fact the word "universitas" originally referred to any kind of corporation. The students at the universities were equated to guild apprentices, and so the completion of the apprenticeship was celebrated by a "commencement" marking the beginning of their careers.

In the twelfth century, everyone wore gowns. The social and economic status of an individual was shown by the extra features, such as fur trimming, on the gowns. Cloaks with hoods were worn over gowns for protection in bad weather. Degrees began to be awarded in the thirteenth century, and different styles of gowns and different colors came to represent the various degrees and disciplines.

Over the centuries the styles of dress changed, and by the seventeenth century, the wearing of gowns by men had virtually ceased. But the universities, particularly those in Britain, continued to be conservative and strict in the manner of academic customs and dress. At Oxford, for instance, candidates for master's degrees had to swear that they owned a gown and would always wear it at the proper times.

The first American universities were founded on English models. However, the wearing of academic dress was not universal and ceased during the Civil War. The custom was revived in the late nineteenth century, and in 1895 an academic custom code was adopted which, with modifications, is still used.

Most American universities have the standard black gown with the hood serving to distinguish the individual institution. Some American and European universities have adopted or preserved more distinctive gowns. There are three styles of gowns, distinguished mainly by the sleeves; the bachelor's gown, with long, pointed sleeves; the master's, with a squared sleeve, cut so the forearm is free; the doctor's, with bell-shaped sleeves with three velvet bands.

The hood is the really distinguishing feature of modern gowns, indicating the degree (the width of the edging band), the discipline (the color of the band) and the college or university (the colors of the lining). Today's graduates have hoods edged in drab (B.P.S., M.B.A.) or light blue (M.Ed.). Many faculty members will have blue edging indicating the Ph.D. degree. The faculty will be wearing hoods representing many distinguished institutions of higher education, e.g., orange and maroon for Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, orange and white for the University of Tennesee, red and black for Rutgers University, and navy blue and orange for the University of Virginia.

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Faculty Marshals for the Candidates for Degrees
Andrew Blair Staley
Leslie Jo Tyler

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

President William M. Anderson, Jr., Presiding Thursday Evening, Half past Six O'Clock James Monroe Center Grounds

PRELUDE — Baroque Selections

Trumpet Voluntary
Concert grosso in D, RV 562a
Arrival of the Queen of Sheba
Rondeau
Sinfonia con tromba in D Major
Trumpet Overture
Tambourin
PROCESSIONAL Procession of the Nobles
Pomp and Circumstance Marches, Op. 39 Sir Edward Elgar
ACADEMIC PROCESSION The Faculty Marshals for the Candidates for Degrees The Elected Representatives and the Candidates for Degrees The Marshal of the Faculty The Student Marshals for the Faculty The Members of the Faculty and the Administration The President of the Alumni Association The Visitors of the College The Rector of the Board of Visitors The Commencement Speaker The Vice President for Graduate and Professional Studies and Dean of the James Monroe Center Faculty The President of the College
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ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACADEMIC HONORS Meta R. Braymer Vice President for Graduate and Professional Studies and Dean of the JMC Faculty
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS The Dean
Student James Monroe Center Student Awards
Faculty James Monroe Center Faculty Award
SPECIAL AWARD The Rector
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
GRADUATION CEREMONY
Conferring of the Honorary Degree
Carlisle M. Williams, Jr. Doctor of Humane Letters
Presentation of the Candidates for Degrees
Conferring of the Degrees
Awarding of the Diplomas
SALUTATION Kathleen Shepherd Mehfoud,'70 The President of the Alumni Association
GOD BLESS AMERICA Led by Patricia A. Tyler
RECESSIONAL Second Suite in F, Op. 28, No. 2

Guests are requested to remain in their places until the graduates have departed.

ACADEMIC HONORS AND SPECIAL AWARDS

Academic achievement is recognized at Commencement through a variety of honors and awards.

ACADEMIC DISTINCTION

The college recognizes the academic achievement of graduating students through the awards of Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, Cum Laude, With Highest Distinction, and With Distinction. Students who have earned at least 60 graded credits in residence may qualify for the first three of these awards with the following grade point averages.

Summa Cum Laude 3.75 or higher
Magna Cum Laude 3.50-3.74
Cum Laude 3.25-3.49

With Highest Distinction and With Distinction are awarded to graduating seniors who have earned 30 to 59 graded credits in residence with the following grade point averages.

With Highest Distinction 3.75 or higher

With Distinction 3.30-3.74

ACADEMIC HONORS

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Bachelor of Professional Studies

Debra Van MacKay

HIGHEST DISTINCTION

Bachelor of Professional Studies

Karen Lynn Bakios Jane Constance Gallagher Gordon Arthur Genovese Christine L. Helm Victoria Ann Waddicar Koch Dan Martone Jerry Robert Rogers II Barbara Borelli Smith Dora Vogel Julia L. Zahn

DISTINCTION

Bachelor of Professional Studies

Robert M. Adams Safuan Stewart Beatty Anthony Tyrone Burno Charlene Renee Cedrés William H. Finigan, Jr. Richard Edward Grantz Faye Anita Johnson Denise Grantz Lanier
William T. Malone
Cristina M. Ortega
Julie L. Palmer
Kathleen H. Shelton
Kelly Faye Sims

Who's Who among students in American Universities and Colleges.

Master's Degree Graduates

The criteria for nomination to "Who's Who" set by the administrative committee of the graduate program is a minimum GPA of 3.8 with no more than one B grade and no C grades, and the completion of at least 21 hours of academic study.

Master of Business Administration

Regina L. Adkins James Francis Barnes Darrell A. Cooper Christopher E. Doyle Gregory Hunter Ervin Brian S. Finkle Angela T. Giannopoulos Christine A. Hopper Kenneth Dean Howard Candice S. Somerville Vincent Michael Summerford James Ralph Swisher Timothy D. Warren

Master of Education

Patricia A. Baker
Daria David Blom
Viviann A. Garafalo
Deborah Anne Hopper
Kathleen Erin Hugh
Ihor O. E. Kotlarchuk
Eileen O'Donnell Lanzarone
Marla Marie Linton

Bruce Newcomer Mary K. Rehberg Leigh Siegel Sutton J. R. West Diana L. Wilhelm Stephen L. Wise Margaret Ellen York

ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA. A national honor society that recognizes the special achievements of adults who achieve academic excellence while facing competing interests of home and work. Requirements for membership are: a minimum of 30 semester hours and four semesters in residence at Mary Washington College; 15 semester hours outside the major; and a 3.2 minimum grade point average.

Bachelor of Professional Studies

Jane Constance Gallagher

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

CARLISLE M. WILLIAMS, JR. STAFFORD COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A native of the Eastern Shore of Virginia, C.M. Williams has served local government for more than 40 years, including Stafford County from 1984 until his retirement this year as County Administrator.

During his tenure the population of Stafford County more than doubled, generating demands for increased services that Mr. Williams addressed with creativity and efficiency. Numerous projects successfully completed under his direction ranged from the construction of new county administrative and judicial centers to the preservation of George Washington's boyhood home. He was also instrumental in the initial development of the Stafford Regional Airport and in helping to create a business environment conducive to the growth of the county's economy.

In addition to his contributions toward public administration and economic development, Mr. Williams has also contributed significantly to improved educational opportunities for the region's citizens, most notably through the impetus that he provided in the initial stages of the formation of the James Monroe Center of Mary Washington College and his continued support for the Center's rapid development.

Mr. Williams' extensive experience in the public sector has resulted in numerous local, regional, state, and national partnerships. He has served as Chairman of the Fredericksburg Area Metropolitan Planning Organization and has been appointed to numerous state boards by Governors of Virginia. In 2000 he was awarded the prestigious Jefferson Cup from the Virginia Association of Counties in recognition of his outstanding contributions to county government.

Concurrently with his exemplary professional career, Mr. Williams has been actively involved in various fraternal and civic organizations. He is a Mason and has served as president of both the local Rotary Club and Jaycee Chapter.

He is married to Barbara (MWC Bachelor of Liberal Studies degree, 1995) and they have four children and six grandchildren. They live in Falmouth.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

CARLISLE M. WILLIAMS, JR. DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS

MARY WASHINGTON COLLEGE

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

	Regina L. Adkins	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Omar A. Badawi	Dhahran, Saudi Arabia
1	James Francis Barnes	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Michele Lynn Brantley	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Timothy D. Brown	Greensboro, North Carolina
	Darrell A. Cooper	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Christopher E. Doyle	Wichita, Kansas
	Karen Ann Edmison	South Riding, Virginia
	Gregory Hunter Ervin	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Brian S. Finkle	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Rebecca Slagle Fredette	Fredericksburg, Virginia
*	Angela T. Giannopoulos	Stafford, Virginia
	Robert R. Hein, Jr.	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Catherine Hohneker	Fredericksburg, Virginia
* +	Christine A. Hopper	
	Kenneth Dean Howard	Atlanta, Georgia
*	Blanka Kinek	London, England
*	Joanne G. Moore	Fredericksburg, Virginia
* +	Michelle Lynn Neal	
	Cris E. Simms	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	David Wayne Simms	
*	Aileen Daphne Smith	
	Candice S. Somerville	Fredericksburg, Virginia
*	Michele Allison Sousa	
	Vincent Michael Summerford	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	James Ralph Swisher	Bowling Green, Virginia
	Lawrence B. Vernon	
+	Christine E. Vican	Locust Grove, Virginia
	Timothy D. Warren	
*	Mary Kay Westgate-Driscoll	Chenango Forks, New York

^{*} Degree Requirements Completed Prior to May 2003 +Degree Awarded in Absentia

MASTER OF EDUCATION

*	Patricia A. Baker	
*	Daria David Blom	
+	Robert Anthony Columbus	
*	Stephen E. Davis	
	James R. Fabré	
	Viviann A. Garafalo	
+	Ernest J. Gregory III	
	Deborah Anne Hopper	
	Kathleen Erin Hugh	Nokesville, Virginia
	Ihor O. E. Kotlarchuk	
*	Eileen O'Donnell Lanzarone	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Marla Marie Linton	Woodbridge, Virginia
	Bruce Newcomer	LaGrange, Illinois
* +	Mary K. Rehberg	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Leigh Siegel Sutton	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Adrian Thweatt	Prince George, Virginia
	Mieke Lynn Wall	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	J. R. West	
	Diana L. Wilhelm	
*	Mary Hennessy Willis	
	Timothy L. Wilson	
*	Stephen L. Wise	
*	Margaret Ellen York	Fredericksburg, Virginia

BACHELOR OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

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	Robert M. Adams	
	Karen Lynn Bakios	
	Safuan Stewart Beatty	
*	Anthony Tyrone Burno	
	Sandra S. Burton	0, 0
	Tikisha Jeannetta Carver	Suitland, Maryland
	Charlene Renée Cedrés	Owosso, Michigan
*	Tracey Nadine Cook	
	Rheina C. Cornuet	Spotsylvania, Virginia
	Nerissa E. De Leon	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	James M. Eberhardt	York, Pennsylvania
* +	William H. Finigan, Jr.	West Palm Beach, Florida
	Jane Constance Gallagher	Stafford, Virginia
	Shannon Rebekah Gayle	Ruther Glen, Virginia
	Gordon Arthur Genovese	Fairport, New York
	Richard Edward Grantz	Spotsylvania, Virginia
*	Christine L. Helm	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Faye Anita Johnson	King George, Virginia
*	Taniya Rachelle Johnson	Columbus, Ohio
	Linette W. Kasper	
	Victoria Ann Waddicar Koch	Caroline County, Virginia
	Denise Grantz Lanier	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Debra Van MacKay	Stafford, Virginia
	William T. Malone	Roosevelt, New York
	Dan Martone	Fredericksburg, Virginia
	Cristina M. Ortega	Aurora, Illinois
	Julie L. Palmer	
	Patrick Jay Poteat	
	Yolanda S. Pryor	
	Jerry Robert Rogers II	
* +	Kathleen H. Shelton	
	Kelly Faye Sims	
	Barbara Borelli Smith	
	Dora Vogel	
	Nakissa LaShawn Young	
	Julia L. Zahn	0,

HEAD USHER Angela F. Gardner

USHERS

Andrea Carver James DeGrandis Mike Demmick Marilyn Dufrat Michael Ferritto Michael Foreman Sharon Hayden Maggie Irby Emily Meriwether Blair Parsons Hector Velez, Jr. Monica Warne Jeffrey Wessell Vincent Witters

